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(C) On September 25, reftel A demarche was transmitted to MFA Deputy DAS-equivalent for Disarmament and Multilateral Cooperation Minh-di Tang, who provided informal, preliminary feedback that given the importance of solidarity among the P-5, the French would likely join the U.S. in opposing the two possible resolutions. Tang and DAS-equivalent Jacques Raharinaivo previously provided preliminary support for the draft U.S. resolution (ref B), as reported in ref C. Post will report more details following the interministerial coordination meeting this week in which the formal French positions will be decided.

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